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## TRAVELERS' GUIDE.

### NEW ORLEANS PACIFIC RAILWAY.

#### TIME TABLE.

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## Steamboat Schedule.

### New Orleans and Donaldsonville.

Boats of the Coast, up Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights; down Wednesday, Friday and Sunday mornings.

St. Mary, up Tuesday and Friday; down Thursday and Saturday.

New Orleans and Plaquemine.

Whisper, up Tuesdays and Saturdays; down Wednesdays and Sundays. Attends to business of Assumption and St. Mary.

New Orleans and Bayou Saint.

Fanchon, in place of E. J. Gay, up Monday and Friday nights; down Wednesday and Sunday evenings.

Corona, in place of John W. Cannon, up Wednesday and Saturday nights; down Monday and Friday evenings.

New Orleans and Vicksburg.

Robt. E. Lee, up Tuesday night; down Sunday afternoon.

J. M. White, up Thursday night; down Tuesday night.

Natchez, up Saturday night; down Thursday evening.

## DONALDSONVILLE, LA.,

Saturday, July 15, 1882.

## LOCAL JOTTINGS.

The Boss arrived home from his wanderings this morning, on the E. J. Gay, but will not present himself to the readers of the Chief until next week.

Mr. J. J. Leche has gone to Biloxi to recuperate his health. After a long and serious illness it was deemed necessary that a change of air be indulged in and that Mr. Leche should keep away from business for some time.

Mr. P. Henry Sautou, representing the old and popular woodvane establishment of Mr. Morris McGraw of New Orleans, paid our town a short visit this week. Mr. Sautou visited the parish for the purpose of taking orders for merchandise and expressed himself pleased with his success.

The steamer Little Minnie is once more in dock receiving a fresh coat of paint and having a few old timbers replaced by new ones. The hull of this little craft is in good repair and some work on her boilers which has been done will fit her for another cruise of several months and perhaps a year more.

Judge Taylor Beattie visited town last week and spent a few days with his friends here. It is supposed his visit was made for the purpose of advancing his interests in his candidacy for Congress from the Third District. We learn that the Judge will undoubtedly be in the field. Sorry that it was impossible for us to meet him while here.

Attention is called to the proceedings of the Police Jury and Town Council at their last meetings, published elsewhere in this issue. Many items of interest will be found among them, notably the very worthy endeavor of the Police Jury to relieve the citizens of some of the burdens imposed upon them in the shape of taxes and licenses past due.

We learn that the accomplished attorney and polished gentleman, Judge James D. Angustin, has established an office in the town of Gretna, where he may be found and consulted every Friday. The balance of the week he will attend business at his old stamping ground in the parish of St. Charles. The lawyers of Gretna may prepare themselves to be cleared out.

Deputy Sheriffs Edward Vives, Albert Folse and Wm. Theriot consulted themselves at the R. E. Hotel on their return from Baton Rouge, whither they had gone to convey the following boarders to Col. James' popular establishment: Harrison Harris, Joseph Chopas, Louis Smith, George Harrison, Ulysses Boeage, Lloyd Garneau, Godfrey Williams, William Anderson, Cassimer Garner and Wesley Jones. All these gentlemen were safely lodged in the State penitentiary and received for.

The employees of one of our manufacturing establishments have asserted their determination not to strike during the summer—not even if the heat reaches a degree equal to that of a certain other place not necessary to particularize. This decision has been rendered perfectly clear to us from the fact that these employees were seen hard at work a day or two ago, while little colored boys were skunking near them, fanning away as hard as their muscles would permit. Truly, capital and labor are arm in arm in Donaldsonville.

Phoenix Fire Company held a called meeting Thursday night for the purpose of receiving the report of a special committee on constitution and by-laws, concert, fair and dramatic entertainment to be given for the benefit of the company sometime during the latter part of August. The constitution and by-laws submitted were unanimously endorsed and ordered printed in book form for the use of the members. The report of the fair committee was very encouraging, and the Phoenix boys are buoyed up with the fond hope of soon being able to free the company from its present indebtedness.

## A Strong Appeal for Help!

A Pithy Picture of the Destitution and Suffering of the New River People.

DONALDSONVILLE, July 14, 1882.

EDITOR CHIEF:

As a member of the Jury Commission of this parish, a notice was duly sent to me by the proper authority to meet the Jury Commissioners this day at the Court House in the town of Donaldsonville, for the purpose of drawing a Jury for the next term of District Court.

Had I not accepted the position with the intention of performing all its duties I certainly would not have been here today. Disasters of such a nature have happened to my unfortunate section—endurances of all kinds having invaded it to such an extent, that being looked upon by a goodly number of my immediate neighbors for the little assistance my reduced circumstances permit me to render them, I would not have left home even for a short time, except for the reason above stated.

Yesterday morning, from the very steps of my house, I embarked in a flat bottomed boat, to work my way to this town. Boating all the way in a depth of water varying from one to three feet, I arrived at the Conway sugar-house, where it was my good fortune to meet an old friend, Mr. Robert Clarke, who was kind enough to furnish me transportation and accompanied me to town.

The 7th ward of this parish, to which I belong, and which is commonly called the New River settlement, is and has been under water since the 3rd of April last, with the exception of a few ridges here and there. For any one to imagine that our section could possibly raise even one-fourth of a crop of corn this season would be preposterous. We have reached the middle of July and, judging the future by the past, saying nothing of the rise of the Mississippi in the last few days, it will certainly be two or three weeks before our highest lands shall be uncovered and dry enough to be plowed and planted.

Now, there are many in this parish who have raised a crop of corn planted on or after the first of August in any year? What, then, must be the ultimate result? Distress, destitution, starvation! When, Mr. Editor, I use this language, I do so with a full knowledge of its significance.

It was only a few days ago that a worthy priest from our section, in the pulpit of the Catholic Church in this town, depicted the distress and sufferings of our people, admitting that after having visited the scene of misery, his heart had failed him, and that he had started on the holy mission of doing all that could be done to alleviate the troubles around him. Most of our homes have been turned into hospitals. Food and medicine are needed. We can not help ourselves! Those of us who would otherwise have had a sufficiency for our families, have shared our little with the most needy—consequently the distress is general.

Acquainted as I am in your town, I was not at all surprised to hear on all sides the offers of assistance made to the New River people; but it strikes me that the Police Jury should be the proper body to take the matter in hand. They, I understand, at a meeting last Tuesday, a week ago, appointed the member from our ward a committee to report at their adjourned meeting of last Tuesday, the condition of the people of our ward. He has not only failed to report, but has not even put in an appearance. There has been a good deal of opposition to the issuing of rations to the sufferers, by some parties in the ward. Can it be that our member has been influenced by that opposition, and be blinded to the extent of neglecting or refusing to perform such a christian duty? I hope not. There must be some mystery that the future, perhaps, will clear up. It is well known in our section—and our police member resides within one mile of my house—that men over 60 years old, widows and orphans have had to abandon their homes and remove to the barren hills, where they are now living in palmetto huts, destitute of bread or even medicine. I have had many of them come to me and in the name of God, beg for a little bread, saying that meat was a luxury they would do without. Now, Mr. Editor, I hope none of your readers will imagine that I am seeking aid for myself. Thanks to Providence and to my good friends, I am comparatively above want. I have consulted none of our people, nor have I been authorized by any of them to appear in their name. Only by their condition before you and say, as men, brothers and Christians, the people of New River need and are entitled to all you can do to alleviate their sufferings from sickness and hunger.

JOSEPH GONZALES.

"The Villa Bolenia" is the title of a very interesting little novel recently published by Messrs. Kochendorff & Urie, a copy of which has been sent us for perusal. An idea of the plot of the work may be formed upon glancing at the paper cover of the work which bears a picture of a small country house with the significant sign stuck up in its front yard: "No man allowed on these premises under penalty of the law." The book, written in the happiest style of the author, Marie LeBaron, contains true pictures of life and is well reading. Its characters may be found in every day life, and wherever read it must receive the most favorable criticism.

Among the noteworthy events of the week we chronicle the departure of Mrs. Fannie Sharp, the estimable lady of Wm. B. Sharp, Esq., of Riverside plantation. Mrs. Sharp is accompanied by her friend Mrs. Mollie Cook of Napoleonville, and left on the Fred. A. Blanks, Thursday evening, proposing to make a brief stay in the Crescent City and from thence send their way by rail to North Carolina, the objective point being Hendersonville in that State. After a sojourn of some two or three months among the "rosin-heads," they will no doubt be glad to return—rejuvenated and invigorated—to their homes in the Pelican State, where they are assured of a warm welcome by the many friends, who now regret their absence.

## A Perfect Perfume.

The refreshing aroma of Floreston Cologne, and its lasting fragrance make it a perfect perfume for the toilet.

## Communicated.

### Where Does the Money Go?

A Pertinent Query which Only Interested Parties Can Answer.

DONALDSONVILLE, LA., July 14, 1882.

Editor Donaldsonville Chief.

Dear Sir—It is generally understood in this community that some days ago an announcement was made from the pulpit of the Catholic Church of this parish, by the Priest thereof, that on last Sunday, two weeks ago, a subscription would be made for the benefit of the overflowed people of New River, and that the same brought the nice little sum of \$175.

It is also currently reported that on last Sunday the charitable young girls of the Parish of St. Germain, commonly called "La Pipe," gave a fair that netted the sum of amount of \$154, making in all a total sum of \$329.

Now Mr. Editor, the undersigned claims to have been reliably informed that from the first amount our parish Priest had ordered from St. Louis, Mo., and why St. Louis?

3 barrels flour,

1 barrel corn meal,

3 " grist,

which every one knows can not amount to more than the sum of \$65. What then of the other \$264? And what about the \$154 from the fair of Faubourg St. Germain?

After all we know and have seen about the building of our new church, have we not the right to inquire about further misappropriation of funds, when our New River brothers are on the brink of starvation and death. A word of explanation from Father Cappeaux in your paper will relieve a great many CATHOLICS.

## THEY CONCERT.

A grand vocal and instrumental concert will be given on the 29th instant, under the auspices of the Terpsichorean Social Club, for the benefit of the New River sufferers from overflow. The management and direction of the affair is in the hands of Prof. Blanchy, and it is natural to infer that everything will be done in a first-class and perfect manner. Following is the PROGRAMME.

### Part First.

Bellissimo-Bellini.....D'Vile String Band

Vocal-Travertine-Verdi.....Miss B. T.

Piano-Duet-St. Jean-Baptiste.....Misses

C. P. and C. E. M., Mrs. P. L. and C. K.

Vocal-Little Mary Gaudet-Verdi.....Miss L. B.

Vocal-Les Compagnons de Normandie.....Misses E. L. and C. C.

Piano-Sonnet de Theatre Italien-Goria.....Miss L. B.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### Card of Thanks.

HALL OF PHOENIX FIRE COMPANY.

DONALDSONVILLE, July 10, 1882.

Phoenix Fire Company of Donaldsonville most sincerely and heartily thanks Messrs. Joseph Ferrer and Dominique Variati for the bold, upright and praiseworthy manner in which they opposed the repeal of the ordinance granting an appropriation for the digging of wells in this town. Their action in endeavoring to compel the carrying out of a scheme that was calculated to redound to the injury and interest of the citizens of this town and parish, to protect their homes from the devastating ravages of the fire king, are deserving of and should receive the most hearty appreciation of every good and true citizen.

Respectfully,  
PHOENIX FIRE CO.

### Card of Thanks.

HALL PERSEVERANCE FIRE CO. No. 1.

DONALDSONVILLE, July 12, 1882.

The committee representing the Perseverance Fire Company No. 1, of Ascension, express their sincere thanks to the ladies individually and collectively, to the ladies and gentlemen who contributed to the success of our fair given on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of July, to all friends who bestowed favors upon or who manifested interest in our undertaking, and especially to the members of the Crescent Band, whose kindness in furnishing us with music on the occasion, is appreciated in the highest degree. We are happy to report a net profit of \$142 70.

P. L. LANDRY, Chairman,  
ALEX. SMITH,  
ED. GUDRY.

### Sheriff's Sale.

State of Louisiana—Parish of Ascension—Twenty-Second Judicial District Court.

A. H. WILKINS

vs. G. W. WILKINS.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of fieri facias issued by the Hon. Twenty-Second Judicial District Court, parish of Ascension, in the matter of A. H. WILKINS vs. G. W. WILKINS, do hereby, I, Sheriff, dated July 11, 1882, to me directed, I have seized and will offer for sale, at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at the Court House door, parish of Ascension, on Saturday, the 29th day of July, 1882, at 11 o'clock A. M., the following described property, to-wit:

All the buildings and improvements situated on parish lot No. —, fronting Railroad Avenue, in the town of Donaldsonville, bounded on one side by lot leased by A. Hefel, on the other side by lot leased by Mrs. J. C. Boulanger and in the rear by lot leased by Phoenix Fire Company No. 1.

Second—The lease of said lot transferred from M. Marks to Wm. G. Wilkinson, which lease expires January, 1883.

Third—All the contents of the store occupied by Wm. G. Wilkinson, consisting of Stationery,

Notions,

Cigars,

Show cases,

One Printing Press and Type,

Shelves and Counters, etc., etc., as per inventory on file in this office.

Seized in the above suit.

Parish of Ascension, July 15, 1882.

P. A. JONES, Sheriff.

### Proceedings of Common Council.

Town of Donaldsonville.

REGULAR MEETING.

COURT HOUSE, July 5, 1882.

The Council met this day at 4 o'clock P. M. Mayor Israel in the chair.

The roll was called with the following members present—1st ward, D. Variati, 2nd ward, Jos. Ferrer, John Solozano, 3rd ward, Jos. Ferrer, Prosper Ganel, Absent—Paul Leche.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Public Works made a verbal report, as follows:

We, the Committee on Public Works have carefully measured the brick lanquette of S. Goette, and found the amount due by the owner be \$45, and recommend payment of the same.

The bill was approved and ordered paid.

The Secretary was ordered to notify the Collector and Treasurer to make report at the next meeting of the Council.

The following was offered by P. Ganel, and adopted:

Resolved, That all appropriations made up to date for building wells in the town, be immediately repaid. Said resolution to take effect from the date of its passage.

It is further resolved, That all persons holding scrips, bills or warrants against the town, be immediately repaid, within thirty days after the issuance of said scrips, bills or warrants, present them to the Treasurer for registration.

Resolved, That the above resolution be published in the official journal during fifteen days.

Whereas, Many complaints are being made daily against the sanitary condition of the town, now, therefore, in view of the approaching warm weather, there should be some one to look to the sanitary condition of the town and make weekly report to the Mayor and official journal of the town.

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